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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the aboveidentified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add new page 23 (attached hereto) which contains the Abstract of the Invention for the subject case.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 16 as follows:

16. (Amended) The method according to [the previous] claim <u>15</u>, characterized in that:

the pickup elements (16a, 16b ...16n) used to implement it are mounted on the movable device (6;6a) in such a way that all of them, except one, if necessary, can be moved by drive means (36) in a horizontal direction (H) at right angles to the feed direction (F;F2);

at least one of the bickup elements (16b...16N-1) is mounted in such a way that drive means (38) can move it in the feed direction (F;F2) in both directions (K) relative to the movable device;

